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SUBJECTAC MIDDLE EAST ISSUES IN MULTILATERA DIPLOMACY:
ISRAELI UNGA SUSPENSION AND ZIONISM/RACISM

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1. POLCOUNSELOR SAW MEA DIRECTOR UN AFFAIRS MAY 25 AND EMPHASIZED USG CONCERNS OVER ANY POSSIBLE NACC ENDORSEMENT OF SUBJECT RESOLUTIONS ON ISRAEL (REFTEL). VERMA SAID GOI EXPECTED SYRIANS, ALGERIANS, LIBYANS, AMONG OTHER ARAB STATES, WOULD PRESSQ SUBJECT IN ALGIERS BUT INDIA WOULD WRK IN CORRIDORS TO SEE THAT LANGUAGE OF RESOLUTIONS DID NOT AT MOST GO BEYOND 1975 OAU RESOLUTION ON THESE SUBJECTS. GOI, VERMA, SAID, FULLY UNDERSTOOD US VIEWS ON EXPULSION OR SUSPENSION OF ISRAEL FROM UN AND SHARED (AND WOULD EXPRESS TO ARABS) INDIAN VIEW THAT INTERESTS OF ARABS THEMSELVES WOULD NOT BE SERVED BY REMOVING ISRAEL FROM UN FORUMS. ON ZIONISM/RACISM ISSUE, VERMA NOTED ONLY THAT GOI HAD VOTED FOR UN RESOLUTION AT LAST UNGA AND THAT RESOLUTIONS WHICH HAD BEEN ENDORSED IN UNGA WERE DIFFICULT TO EXPUNGE FROM THE RECORD.

2. VERMA LEAVES TODAY FOR ALGIERS BUT SAID HE WOULD MAKE SURE EMBASSY'S VIEWS WERE PASSED TO SENIOR MEMBERS OF INDIAN DELEGATION. (JOINT SECRETARY (UN) JAIN, WITH WHOM DIC REVIEWED GENERAL USG CONCERNS ABOUT NACC LAST WEEK (NEW DELHI 7390) IS COMPLETELY TIED UP WITH LAST MINUTE PREPARATIONS FOR FONSEC AND FONMIN'S PRESENTATIONS AT ALGIERS AND UNAVAILABLE FOR MEETING EARLY THIS WEEK.)

3. VERMA NOTED THAT DRAFT DECLARATION BEING CIRCULATED BY SRI LANKA FOR CONSIDERATION AT COLOMBO MEETING IS GENERALLY VERY MODERATE--MUCH MORE SON THAN ALGIERS DECLARATION. WHILE IT COULD BE EXPECTED THAT RADICALS WOULD TRY TO AMEND AND HARDEN MANY OF THE FORMULATIONS IN IT, VERMA
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SAID THAT THE ADVANTAGE ALWAYS LAY WITH THE DRAFTER AND THAT WE COULD ANTICIPATE THAT THE COLOMBO DECLARATION WOULD ULTIMATELY BE CONSIDERABLY MORE MODERATE THAN THE ALGIERS ONE. THIS SUITED THE GOI PERFECTLY, VERMA SAID.

4. WE HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH SEVERAL OF OUR EC-9 COLLEAGUES AND WILL INFORM REMAINDER IN COURSE OF THE DAY.
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